

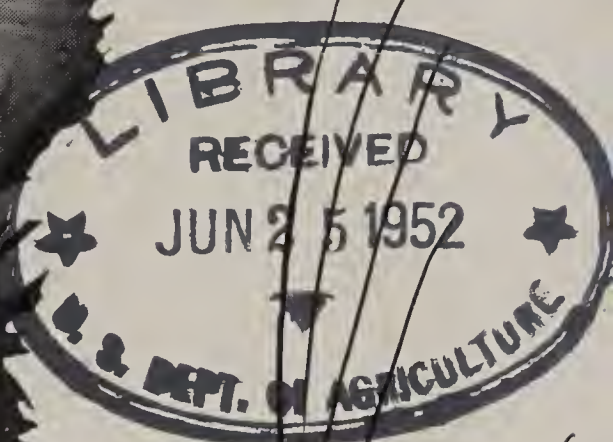
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WOODS HOOGS

VS

PINE LOGS



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On which side of this fence were the hogs?

Did you know that woods hogs cause great damage to Louisiana's longleaf pine forests?

This fine longleaf pine stand was not planted. The trees came up from seed. But they stop at the old hog wire fence. Why? Because the fence kept the hogs out when the trees were small and the pines had a chance. Hogs rooted up all the little trees on the outside.

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Yes, it's really true. One of the worst enemies of the longleaf pine is THE COMMON WOODS HOG.

Hogs that roam the woods have to eat whatever they can find. They get fat in the fall and early winter if the acorn and other mast crops are good. But when spring comes the mast crop is usually gone. Then, these hungry hogs root or starve, so they leave the bottomlands and head for the pine hills.



On their way to the pine woods, some of them find good rooting in the sodded embankments along the highways. The State spends thousands of dollars in developing and maintaining these fine green side slopes, yet a bunch of hungry hogs can ruin them in a few days.

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When the Hogs Reach the Piney Woods

Did you know that hogs root up and destroy millions of young longleaf pines every year?



Look at these range hogs rooting on what was once a young pine plantation.

Longleaf pine roots have a thick, juicy bark that has as much starch as corn. Hogs have learned that even the small, grass-high longleaf pines have the thick tap roots, and that the root bark is easy to peel off and eat.

So, during the spring months when the moist ground makes rooting easy, hogs go for the little pines in a big way.



After the hog finishes, each little tree is left to wither and die like this . . .

— Their Goal Is LONGLEAF PINE!



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*One minute's rooting — five
to six seedlings.*



*Forty minutes rooting — 210
seedlings.*

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Hogs may not root up all the little pine trees in an area in one year, but young longleaf pine grows slowly, and if the old sow misses some of the trees one year, she often comes back and gets them the next year.

Hogs like to strip the root
bark from pine saplings
too.



Saplings damaged by hogs
are not often killed out-
right, but they are stunted
and left susceptible to dis-
ease and to being over-
turned by the wind.



Hog rooting can do as much damage to small pines as wild fire, and hogs and fire working together are sure to mess up a nice young forest. We must protect our forests from both.



This forest land along one of our main highways was cut thirty years ago and has remained unfenced — an open range for hogs.

WHICH WOULD YOU



This field of stumps has been overrun by hogs every year and frequently burned



This forest land along one of our main highways was also cut thirty years ago, but it has been protected from hogs by fencing.

U RATHER HAVE?



This well-managed forest of fastgrowing longleaf pine has been protected from hogs.



A productive forest is similar to your savings account. Pines growing in the forest are like money in the bank, and here in Louisiana where trees grow fast, they pay a better rate of interest. And who collects that interest? Not just the man who owns the trees, **YOU** do too!

A well managed forest means jobs in the woods and mills





And customers for the merchants in our cities and towns where workers do their shopping.

Our Forests Are Great Places



OUR FORESTS ALSO MEAN GOOD HUNTING,
GOOD FISHING,
AND GOOD PLACES TO PLAY.



for Having Fun Too - - -

Yet - - -



. . . When hogs plunder Louisiana's forests, it means fewer trees, fewer jobs in forest industry, fewer recreational areas, and lower income for our communities.

You may ask "Why not fence the forests and keep the hogs out?" Fences help, and some forest owners have built them, but forest fences are very expensive to construct and maintain—too expensive in many places. Anyhow, do trees need a fence? Trees don't run away! Wouldn't it be better to fence the hog instead?



THIS FARM
RAISED HOG

WHICH WOULD YOU RATHER HAVE?

OR

THIS
PINEY WOODS ROOTER



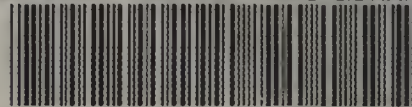
YOU KNOW THE ANSWER!



KEEP THE HOGS ON THE FARM!



GIVE LONGLEAF PINE A CHANCE!



"When it comes to us Woods Hogs vs. Pine Logs — well, the trees haven't got a chance. We always win. So please fence me in and feed me. I'd rather stay home anyway, and I'll get fat quicker, too. Besides, *you'll be saving longleaf pine trees.*"